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I. History of Ethnology in Germany

The first issue of the *Mitteilungen der Arbeitsgruppe 'Geschichte der Ethnologie' (DGV)* was published by the speaker of this group, Adam Jones (formerly in Frankfurt, now in Leipzig) in July 1994. The group resulted from the sessions at the last conference of the German Ethnological Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Völkerkunde, DGV) in Leipzig, Oct. 1993. The newsletter contains the programs of the workshops held in Munich (Oct. 1991) and in Leipzig (Oct. 1993), as well as plans for two further sessions in 1995. It also contains a bibliography of recent work in the history of German ethnology, an address list of the members of the workgroup compiled by H.F. Vermeulen on the basis of questionnaires distributed in 1992-93 (pp. 9-21), and information on the biographical database of German anthropologists established by Prof. Berthold Riese in Bonn (pp.22-25). Current plans of the group are to organise two sessions on the history of anthropology in the German-speaking world: (1) a conference in five sections on the history of research on Africa, to be held in Leipzig, 2-4 March 1995; (2) a session at the biannual conference of the DGV in Vienna, on 29 Sept. 1995, divided over four sections: Geschichte der Ikonographie, Geschichte des ethnographischen Sammelns, Mission und Ethnographie im späten 18. Jahrhundert, Deutsche Ethnologie 1900-1950. The address is: Prof. Dr. Adam Jones, Institut für Afrikanistik, Augustusplatz 9, 04109 Leipzig, Germany (tel./fax: +49-341-7193286). (HFV)

II. Recent Dissertations

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